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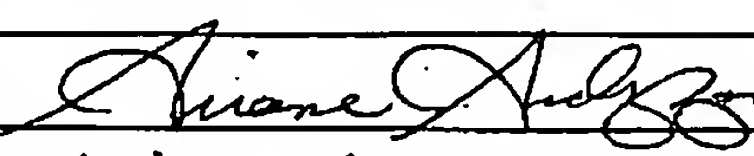
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Inventors:	BERTHIAUME, Yves
Filing Date:	August 6, 2002
Examiner:	AVILA, Stephen P.
Art Unit:	3617
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